

Synopsis of Dave Danielson's Request to TAC

- Ensure that recommendations have significant impact, are digestible and focused.
 - Better to have 3-4 key ideas or action items.
- TAC consider identifying and developing biomass Grand Challenge(s) as a way to focus efforts on specific opportunities. This can include challenges in biofuel markets and commercialization barriers, not just technical research barriers.
 - Examples: Sunshot or EV Everywhere
- Consider looking across entire biomass supply chain and work towards identifying crosscutting EERE or joint interagency program for high-value bioproducts, biochemical activity.
 - Consider for FY 15 budget.

Implementation Considerations:

- Relative emphasis between BRDI and non-BRDI considerations will shift
- TAC Co-chairs to reorient TAC to make this happen:
 - TAC Co-chairs may want to rejigger existing Subcommittees to help identify Grand Challenges
 - Timely completion of milestones for developing Grand Challenge(s) and match to budget timing
 - TAC may consider workshops, focus groups or RFI for better justification in support of Grand Challenge(s)
 - No 2013 Report to Congress required
- Need to determine how to perform this work in “Open” meeting structure in accordance with FACA.
 - Will consult with General Counsel
- These new initiatives can likely be funded under existing BRDI legislation and can be delivered through future Joint BRDI solicitations